



MEMO FOR THE PROCUREMENT FILE

DATE: August 11, 2022

SUBJECT: Proprietary Justification for BlueZone Software Maintenance

The Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) identifies this procurement to be proprietary. In accordance with Section 2155.067, Title 10, Subtitle D of the Texas Government Code, TWC offers the following justification.

BlueZone is the TN320 emulator that TWC uses to connect to the mainframe for all TWC staff. TWC started using the BlueZone License in 2007 and in the past years, the vendor continues to provide us software maintenance for this software product. Rocket Software, Inc. is the only vendor to perform various maintenance responsibilities to include code corrections, product updates, and technical support. Therefore, trying to convert to a new product would not be a good option with the mainframe expected to be decommissioned in a few years.

TWC recommends Rocket Software, Inc. as to be the sole source for maintenance services for the BlueZone Software Maintenance for TWC. In addition, Rocket Software, Inc. is the only vendor that can provide upgrades for our product.

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Edward Serna
Executive Director